

# GEORGIA STATE BOARD OF ATHLETIC TRAINERS

237 Coliseum Drive  
Macon, GA 31217  
Conference Call Meeting  
June 7, 2010

The Board Meeting for the Georgia State Board of Athletic Trainers was held via telephone conference on Tuesday, June 7, 2010 at the Professional Licensing Boards, 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia.

The following Board members were present:	Others Present:
Mr. Russ Hoff , Chair Mr. Tom Bair Dr. Scott Malone	Patricia Downing, Board Attorney Anita Martin, Executive Director Carol White, Board Secretary

**Mr. Hoff established** that a quorum was present and the meeting that was scheduled to begin at 1:00 p.m., was called to order at 1:06 p.m.

## **Minutes from the March 3, 2010:**

The minutes from the March 3, 2010 Conference Call Board meeting were approved. – Mr. Bair made a motion to approve, Dr. Malone seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

**Newly Licensed Athletic Trainers:** Dr. Malone made a motion to approve the newly licensed Athletic Trainers. Mr. Bair seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

License Number	Name	Issued Date
AT001718	Hickox, Kimberly Michelle	1/25/2010
AT001719	Mellinger, Jordan David	2/1/2010
AT001720	Myhr, Debra K.	2/2/2010
AT001721	Mohl, Rebecca Lorraine	2/10/2010
AT001722	Edwards, Frederick O'Niel	2/10/2010
AT001723	McLane, Lloyd Timothy	2/16/2010
AT001724	Long, Daniel Harold	2/18/2010
AT001725	Lauzon, Martin Michel	2/24/2010
AT001726	Boeltz, Tiffany Leigh	3/2/2010
AT001727	Williams, James Edward	3/10/2010
AT001728	Stanley, Christine Elizabeth	3/10/2010
AT001729	Gibson, Nayonda Teemer	3/29/2010
AT001730	Getsoff, David Jonathan	4/1/2010
AT001731	Roberts, Latesa Hudson	4/5/2010
AT001732	Guadalupe, Ireliam	4/5/2010
AT001733	Hof, Melanie Elaine	4/22/2010
AT001734	Simmons, James Thomas	4/22/2010
AT001735	Boddington, Trevor	4/27/2010

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AT001736	McGovern, Ryan Patrick	5/14/2010
AT001737	Spindler, Jennifer Leah	5/17/2010
AT001738	Yake, Dale Michael	5/19/2010
AT001739	Falk, Adam Richard	5/19/2010
AT000397	Buckley,Jr., William Robert	5/3/2010
AT001255	Kane, Ashley Elizabeth	5/7/2010

**Consideration to post Board Rules:** Mr. Bair made a motion to vote to post Board Rules. Dr. Malone seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

## Board Rule 53-02-.03 – Athletic Trainer

### 53-2-.03 Athletic Trainer

(1)"Athletic trainer" means a person with specific qualifications, as set forth in Code Section 43-5-8 who, upon the advice and consent of a physician, carries out the practice of prevention, recognition, evaluation, management, disposition, treatment, or rehabilitation of athletic injuries; and, in carrying out these functions, the athletic trainer is authorized to use physical modalities, such as heat, light, sound, cold, electricity, or mechanical devices related to prevention, recognition, evaluation, management, disposition, rehabilitation, and treatment. The term "athletic trainer" shall not include any student, teacher, or other for an elementary school or high school, either public or private, within this state

(2)The term "athletic trainer" shall not include any students, teacher, coach or other person authorized volunteer who serves as an athletic trainer for an elementary, middle school or high school, either public or private, within this state, who do not hold themselves out to the public as athletic trainers.

(3) Nothing in this Rule shall be construed to prevent any person from serving as a athletic training student, assistant athletic trainer, teacher athletic trainer, or any similar volunteer position if such service is not primarily for compensation and is carried out under the supervision of a physician or a licensed athletic trainer.

(4) The term "athletic trainer" shall not include any person who serves as a first responder or other layman position providing basic first aid within this state but who not perform the duties of an athletic trainer or hold himself/herself out as an athletic trainer. For purposes of this rule basic first aid includes the initial steps taken to stabilize an injury or illness situation until more advanced or professionally trained personnel can assume treatment measures. This care generally consists of simple, life-saving or injury-stabilizing techniques that a non-doctor or lay person can be easily trained to perform with minimal equipment, and is generally recognized as such by national organizations such as the American Red Cross, National Safety Council, American Heart Association or other similar organization.

Authority O.C.G.A. Secs. 43-1-25, 43-5-1, 43-5-6, and 43-5-7.

## Board Rule 53-02-.06 – Athletic Injury

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**53-2-.06** An athletic injury means any injury sustained by a person:

(a) as a result of such person's participation in

(i) exercise,

(ii) sports,

(iii) games,

(iv) recreation, or

(v) other activities which require physical strength, agility, flexibility, range of motion, speed, or stamina; and

(b) any injury, without respect to where or how the injury occurs, which prevents such person from participating in

(i) exercise,

(ii) sports,

(iii) games,

(iv) recreation or

(v) other activities which require physical strength, agility, flexibility, range of motion, speed, or stamina.

Authority O.C.G.A. \_\_\_\_\_

### **Board Rule 53-03-.01 – Qualifications**

#### **53-3-.01 Qualifications: Education**

(1) All persons applying on or after July 1, 2004 who seek licensure as an Athletic Trainer in the State of Georgia must have graduated from a college or university in the athletic training program, which has been accredited by the NATA Board of Certification (NATABOC). Commission Accreditation of Athletic Training Education (CAATE).

(2) All persons applying on or before June 30, 2004 who seek licensure as an Athletic Trainer in the State of Georgia must satisfy one of the three following:

(a) Have graduated from a college or university in an athletic training program, which has been accredited by the NATA Board of Certification (NATABOC).

(b) Hold a degree in physical therapy or corrective therapy with at least a minor in physical education or health, which included a basic athletic training course and have spent at least two academic years working under the direct supervision of an approved athletic trainer.

1. A basic athletic training course means a course which includes but is not limited to prevention of athletic injuries, evaluation of athletic injuries and medical referral, first aid and emergency care, counseling and guidance, and education.

2. Two academic years of direct supervision (*See* definition in Chapter 2) means a minimum of 750 hours in each semester year.

3. An approved athletic trainer means an athletic trainer who is:

(i) licensed in Georgia for a minimum of 3 years, or

(ii) certified by NATA for a minimum of 3 years, or

(iii) licensed in a state whose licensure qualifications are substantially similar to those of Georgia for a minimum of 3 years.

(c) Have completed at least four years beyond the secondary school level, while either

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as an undergraduate or graduate student, as an apprentice athletic trainer under the direct supervision (*See* definitions in Chapter 2) of a licensed athletic trainer. Such four years must be consecutive years of supervision, military duty excepted.

1. One year of apprenticeship means at least 750 hours during a calendar year.
2. A minimum of four calendar years (3000 hours) of apprenticeship are required for licensure.

Authority O.C.G.A. Secs. 43-1-25 and 43-5-8.

### **Board Rule 53-03-.02- Application**

#### **53-3-.02 Application.**

- (1) Each candidate for licensure by examination must file a written application on a form which will be furnished by the Board upon request. The application form must be filled out in its entirety, and must include all relevant documents and fees.
- (2) Applications for certification must be received by the Board and completed in their entirety 60 days before the scheduled examination. Once an application is reviewed by the Board, no refund of the application fee shall be considered.
- (3) The applicant will be notified in writing of approval or denial of a request to take the examinations.
- (4) Once an application is reviewed by the Board, no refund of the application fee shall be issued.

Authority O.C.G.A. Secs. 43-1-25, 43-5-6, 43-5-8 and 43-5-9.

### **Board Rule 53-4-.02 ~~NATA-Certified~~ Board of Certification (BOC).**

An applicant who holds current ~~National Athletic Trainers Association Certification (NATA)~~ Board of Certification (BOC) may be licensed without examination upon submission of the appropriate forms and fee.

Authority O.C.G.A. \_\_\_\_\_

### **Russell Hoff: Board Chair**

- Mr. Hoff shared with the Board that he has been reappointed for another term by Governor Perdue.

### **Executive Director's Open Session: Ms. Anita Martin**

- Ms. Martin shared with the Board that 352 licensees have been renewed. She also reported that a second reminder was sent out last week to those licensees who had not yet renewed. Ms. Martin stated 6 applicants are on hold for various reasons.

### **Attorney General's Report: Ms. Patricia Downing**

- AT100071 – Mr. Bair made a motion to refer to the Attorney General's office a cease and desist order to subject at his employers address in Augusta, GA. Also send a letter to the

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employer that subject is not currently licensed in Georgia and that he cannot legally practice in Georgia. Dr. Malone seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

## **Executive Session:**

Mr. Bair moved, Dr. Malone seconded and the Board voted to enter into Executive Session in accordance with O.C.G.A. §43-1-2(k)(1)(2), O.C.G.A. §43-1-19(h)(2) & (4) and O.C.G.A. §43-1-2(k)(4) to deliberate on applications, and to receive information on investigations. The Board concluded executive session in order to vote on these matters and to continue with the public session.

## **Applications:**

1. T.C.P. – Renewal Applicant – Approved for renewal.
2. D.E.W. – Reinstatement Applicant – Refer to the Professional Licensing Board's Legal Department for a Public Consent Order with a fine citing period of unlicensed practice.

## **Executive Director's Report:** Ms. Anita Martin

- Ms. Martin shared a request from D.S. appealing reinstatement consent order. The Board approved reducing the fine to \$525.00 and D.S. must also send in CE for July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2010.

Dr. Malone motioned, Mr. Bair seconded and the Board voted to approve all recommendations made in Executive Session.

There being no further business to come before the Board, Dr. Malone made a motion, Mr. Blair seconded the motion and the meeting was adjourned at 2:08 p.m.

**Minutes recorded by:** Carol White, Board Secretary

**Minutes reviewed and edited by:** Anita O. Martin, Executive Director